

No One Answers Priest's Plea For Weapons

BATTLE CREEK (AP) — A plea by a Roman Catholic priest that his parishioners turn in their guns to him so they could be destroyed went unheeded Sunday.

The Rev. John Huhn, assistant pastor of Battle Creek's St. Joseph Church, asked some 1,000 parishioners to "turn over their weapons of violence" at two masses Sunday. But no one complied.

Father Huhn said he was

little disappointed, but added: "Perhaps it was just a general reluctance or fear of wanting to be involved or to stand up publicly and do something."

"My desire in issuing the call was to make a point. If they respond even in the internal recesses of their hearts, it certainly will not be wasted."

GUN HANDED

The priest got the idea for a gun turn-in appeal when a reserve Navy lieutenant com-

mander handed in his shotgun last Monday night during a memorial mass for Sen. Robert Kennedy.

The 30-year-old priest mailed his own draft card to Secretary of State Dean Rusk and then to Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark last December to protest the Vietnam War. He said he has not been contacted by federal authorities on the matter.

During last Monday's memorial mass for Kennedy, Rich-

ard Hale of Battle Creek walked to the altar and gave Father Huhn a 12-gauge shotgun which he said he won in a sales contest.

Hale, general manager of a lumber company, said he had a strong belief that the use of guns is no way to settle anything.

The priest, who intends to destroy the shotgun, then issued a plea for other parishioners to follow Hale's example and to

bring their guns to the altar during the offertory of the two masses Sunday. He even asked children to bring in toy guns.

In his sermons, the priest said:

"We are not concerned about a lot of gun control legislation. It is important and necessary."

VIET WAR CRITIC

"But it is sort of incongruous, because we stick guns in the hands of 18 and 19 years olds

and send them across to the other side of the world to kill and destroy and burn innocent women and children with napalm."

He added: "In general 'because of a nation bringing violence to another country like this, we should really be surprised that we have so much violence here.'"

He referred in Sunday's epistle to St. John, which says,

"Anyone who hates his brother is a murderer and you know that a murderer does not have eternal life abiding in him."

The priest added:

"We did not pull the trigger in Memphis, Dallas, or Los Angeles, but because of our hatred for black people or others who tend to disagree with us, we are in a similar situation because St. John's statement is so clear."



SAMPLES HIS PEACHES: President Lyndon Johnson tastes a peach grown on his Texas ranch Sunday while chatting with newsmen. The president attended Catholic and Lutheran services at nearby Stonewall. (AP Wirephoto)

BATTLE LINES DRAWN FOR GUN CONTROLS SHOWDOWN

Rifle Lobby Plans Attack

Flood Of Letters Expected To Protest Legislation

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
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WASHINGTON (AP)—The National Rifle Association, its amazing record of blocking strict federal gun controls in jeopardy, has begun its counter-attack.

And if the gun lobby lives up to its past successes hundreds of thousands of letters opposing gun controls will rain down on Congress by mid-week—just before a House committee considers restrictions on gun sales.

The deluge of mail will be in response to a weekend plea by the NRA for its 900,000 members to "express their views

without delay to their senators and congressmen."

The letter-writing campaign, a favorite gun lobby tactic, is the NRA's answer to the demands for tough gun controls flowing from the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy with a \$30.95 pistol.

In the past—even after President John F. Kennedy was murdered with a mail order rifle—the NRA and its allies have successfully smothered proposals to regulate gun sales or require registration of guns.

PUBLIC FOR LAWS

This comes in the face of overwhelming public support of such legislation. This spring, for example, pollster Louis Harris reported 71 per cent of Americans favored stricter gun control laws.

What is the NRA? How does it operate? Why does it pack so much power?

Founded in 1871 by a group of National Guard officers interested in improving their marksmanship, the NRA has grown over the years to an organization with 900,000 members and a net worth of nearly \$12 million.

It operates from an eight-story glass-and-marble headquarters building in downtown Washington. Emblazoned in gold letters above the main entrance is the basic NRA credo: "The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

(This is from the second article of the Bill of Rights: "A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.")

Inside the building, NRA President Harold W. Glassen puffs on his pipe and proclaims: "Make no mistake about it—there is a step-by-step move afoot to accomplish the ultimate deprivation of the American right to keep and bear arms."

Glassen, a Lansing, Mich., lawyer, gets very annoyed by references to the NRA as a gun lobby.

"All this talk about the gun lobby is baloney," he said in an interview. "We don't tell anyone to write to their congressmen."

Last Saturday, a two-page letter signed by Glassen went to all NRA members. "Unless the sportsmen of America clearly express their views without delay to their senators and congressmen," it said, "individuals will be prohibited from acquiring long guns (rifles and shotguns) in interstate commerce and general firearms registration will become a reality."

The NRA's ability to generate mail is a major ingredient to its successful fight against tough gun control laws. NRA officials

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FIREMAN RAISES FLAG: Approximately 50 persons gather around the flag pole in front of Benton Harbor municipal hall Saturday to see Benton Harbor fireman raise flag and hear Flag Day speech by Benton Harbor Mayor Wilbert Smith. Represented were the sponsoring Elks club 544, Post 105 and 1137 Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Post 1137 VFW auxiliary, Gold Star, Navy and World II Mothers, U.S. Navy and Army Reserves, the Michigan National Guard, Elks Emblem club 122, the Drum & Bugle Corps of Water-vliet Boy Scouts, the Salvation Army and the Benton Harbor firemen. (Staff photo)

Pressure For Laws Is Building

LBJ Submits His Legislation To Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pressure for tougher gun control laws continues to build across the nation, but one presidential candidate has called for caution framing the bills and the National Rifle Association has started a campaign against stiffer legislation.

President Johnson over the weekend ordered a top-priority campaign to get Congress to pass an administration-proposed bill restricting the sale of rifles and other long guns.

President Lyndon B. Johnson said Sunday that "there will be no stone unturned in trying to get this passed. There will be total involvement, not only of the attorney general and the Justice Department but also of the President himself."

But the leading opponent of strong gun-control laws, the National Rifle Association, plans a letter-writing drive to get its 900,000 members to inundate Congress with mail against the bill.

Past efforts by the NRA have been singularly successful. But there are indications that this time the organization will have tougher going as the public continues to press for the stiffer laws in the wake of the pistol slaying of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

Califano said the White House alone has received over 5,000 letters calling for strong controls since Kennedy was killed June 5.

Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy, running for the Democratic presidential nomination, while calling for new laws, warned against legislation passed "under panic conditions."

The Minnesota senator said Sunday he is for a federal program of registration of "side arms and on what would be considered heavy guns." States also should pass stronger laws or enforce those now on the books, McCarthy said.

There was one incident Sunday in Battle Creek, Mich., where pleas from a Roman Catholic priest to his parishioners that they turn in their guns to be destroyed went unheeded.

Nobody did.

Expressing disappointment, the Rev. Huhn said "perhaps it

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Crack Viet Troops Rip Red Stronghold Daring Saigon Assault

SAIGON (AP) — Grenade-throwing South Vietnamese raced from bunker to bunker and wiped out a Viet Cong stronghold in face-to-face fighting that ended at dawn today in a Saigon suburb.

The elite Special Forces troops, brought to Saigon to free a hamlet held by the Viet Cong for two weeks, killed 30 guerrillas and drove 100 others into rice fields along the Saigon river. They took 15 prisoners.

Only a few of the Green Beret soldiers were wounded in the daring night assault after two days of frustrating repulses.

The Viet Cong on May 24 sent some 800 men into the hamlet, a collection of pleasant villas and garden plots in the suburb of Gia Dinh about three miles northeast of the center of Saigon. Government troops blocked their advance, and at least one battalion dug in and prepared bunkers through an area of

three fourths of a square mile.

Government paratroopers and marines attempted to cordon off the area, and on Friday about 400 of the Special Forces troops with their American advisers made two frontal attacks. They were driven back, and Saturday they called in tanks and helicopters spewing tear gas. Two tanks fired from close in at the bunkers but were forced back by a hail of antitank rockets.

DIVIDE INTO SQUADS

Sunday night the Special Forces battalion divided into squads of 12 to 15 men, loaded up with hand grenades and dashed forward. They cut communications between the bunkers and then destroyed them one by one with the grenades.

They fired their rifles only when they spotted enemy soldiers trying to escape. Most of the prisoners were taken when they ran into the cordon around the area.

One, bleeding from a head wound, said his battalion commander and regimental liaison officer were killed Sunday night, and the command disintegrated. He said only 100 men of the battalion escaped by fleeing ahead of the Green Beret troops into the surrounding rice fields.

The concrete-block villas in the neighborhood, whose owners had abandoned them when the Viet Cong moved in, came through with relatively little damage since the Vietnamese soldiers did not call in artillery or air strikes.

The captive Viet Cong were thin and hollow-eyed from two weeks of steady fighting. Several teen-agers were ashen faced, near tears and so exhausted

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Lima Beans—Schreiber's. Adv.



GENERAL FIRED: Lt. Gen. Nguyen Duc Thang, left, commander of the South Vietnamese 4th Corps Area which includes the Mekong Delta, has been placed on "indefinite sick leave." His replacement is Lt. Gen. Nguyen Van La, former inspector general of the armed forces. The change was reported by reliable sources in Saigon today. (AP Wirephoto)

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Editorial Page

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Jury Tells Off Dr. Spock

The Mexican and the Spanish-American Wars are the only two of several conflicts mounted by the U.S. in which some appreciable measure of public discontent with American policy did not appear.

Even the Mexican War stirred considerable grumbling in the Northern states which viewed President Polk's invasion across the Rio Grande as a gambit to multiply the number of slave holding states, thereby increasing the political authority of Dixieland.

Both wars, however, were so short, yielded so much in tangible accretion to American territory, and were fought entirely by regulars and volunteers, that they excited more enthusiasm than irritation on the home front.

All the others were marked by vocal recrimination and worse.

In the Revolutionary War, American Tories and rebels committed atrocities against one another.

The War of 1812 was lost before it started because most of the country refused to support what it considered an imprudent venture by the New England states.

The Civil War found Americans in open conflict once again and at home both the Union and the Confederacy had to contend with draft riots.

Many communities in World War I because of their heavy concentration of Germanic settlement posed security problems for the government.

World War II became popular only after Pearl Harbor and throughout the American participation in it the administration of the draft raised constant complaint and ugly accusations in the states.

Korea found little genuine enthusiasm but rather a sense of resignation at home. There was great resentment against Truman's wholesale calling up of World War II reservists and widespread grouching once more about the draft's operation. The opposition in the early '50s took the general form that the draft was not working at all.

Viet Nam is no exception to this dreary recital and, if anything, is more intense.

The number of well known people who have chosen to take up the cudgels against American intervention exceeds in number and prominence that of any previous engagement.

Their counsel ranges from decrying LBJ's sense of proportion to open flaunting of the law's war support provisions.

Friday night a federal court jury in Boston slapped the lid on four vociferous advocates for throwing a block in the war effort.

It convicted Dr. Benjamin Spock, the celebrated pediatrician, William Sloane Coffin, Jr., chaplain of Yale University, Mitchell Goodman, a writer and teacher from Temple, Maine, and Michael Ferber, a Harvard University graduate student, of conspiring to counsel young men to evade the draft.

It freed a fifth defendant, Marcus Raskin, a Washington, D.C., research director, whose lawyer convinced the jury his client barely knew the four co-defendants.

Appeals from the convictions already are being processed and in all likelihood the Supreme Court will be the one to deliver a final verdict a few years hence.

The government did not prosecute nor did the jury find that Spock, Coffin and the others actually told anyone to burn his draft card, skip the country or follow a different course to avoid military service.

The charge and the verdict is to the trickier proposition that the four of them put their heads together to formulate a scheme to encourage others to evade the draft.

Conspiracy is the hardest charge of any in the criminal code to prove and if the appellate courts find any loopholes in the conduct of the trial it will probably be in that treacherous analogy of a plot being as dangerous as the overt act it seeks to accomplish.

The trial judge excluded the defense offered by the four convicted men.

This was the argument that American participation in the war and the draft on its behalf are unconstitutional.

Spock and Coffin carry the Constitutional argument further. They maintain they were merely exercising the citizen's right of free speech.

Their reasoning reduces to a formula which is far from being new. It amounts to saying that if a person thinks a particular law or a course of governmental action is immoral, then he is free to flout it and to encourage others to do the same.

The Abolitionists said the same thing in 1857 when the Supreme Court handed down its Dred Scott decision that a slave is a piece of property no different than a piano or a mule; and demands all through the North called for lynching Justice Taney who wrote the unpopular decision.

The Abolitionists sounded the theme of there being a law higher than that of the Supreme Court, namely, the law of God.

Spock and Coffin are repeating it in different words.

In all deference to the Almighty, we would point out that it is greatly convenient to call upon His name whenever someone finds it objectionable to trail along with the will of the majority as expressed in what's on the law books.

A child who can not have his own way follows what amounts to the same technique. He throws a fit.

It's one thing to denounce a law or governmental policy as unjust, insane or shortsighted.

It's something else to argue others into disobeying it.

If we had a society in which everyone could go his own way, no one would be very secure in his person or his rights or his property. We would revert to that purest form of democracy—anarchy wherein each person is a law unto himself.

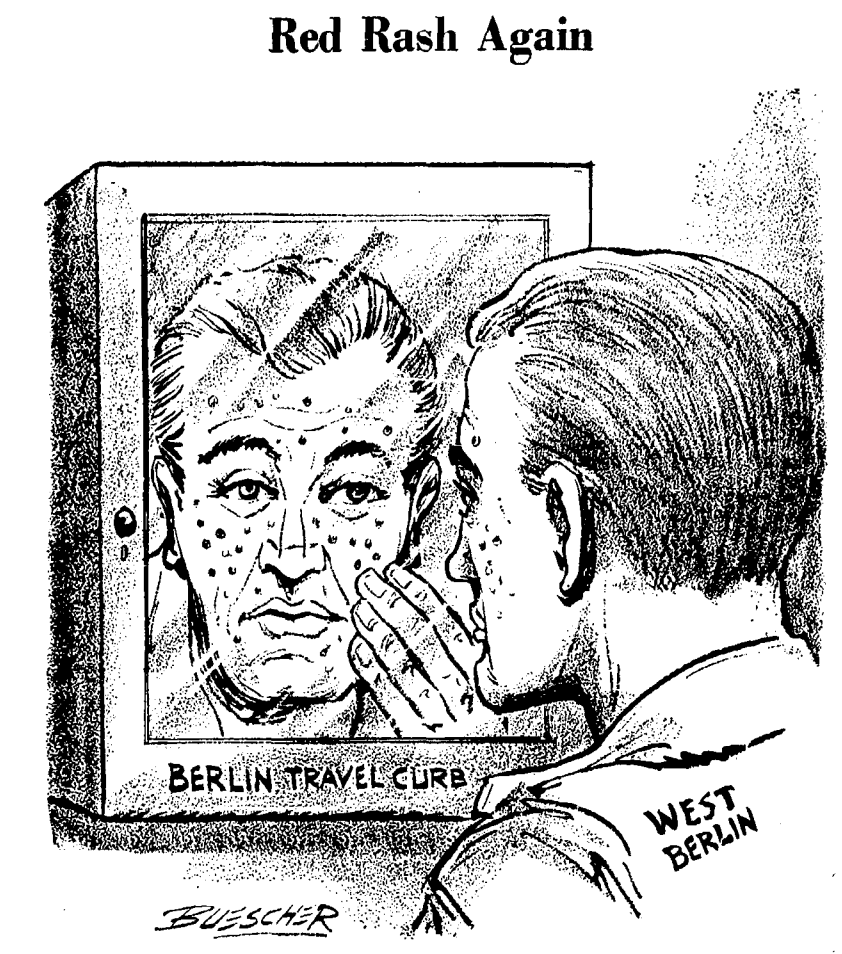
Spock would be the first one to scream if a layman decided to practice medicine and Coffin would scorn the man who decided to conduct a street corner church.

Yet their position on the draft logically supports the average guy stealing a piece of their professional, legally licensed action.

They are no more than misguided evangelists whom the jury thought it time to bring back to the corral.

American women buy most of the clothing, it is reported. And also wear some of it.

Houses floating in space are predicted as the coming status symbols; to match the mortgages, presumably.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

BRIDGMAN JAYCEES ELECT OFFICERS
—25 Years Ago—
William C. Heyn of Bridgman was elected and installed as president of the Bridgman Jaycees and Mrs. Eldon Gloor as president of the auxiliary at the annual awards banquet in the Blue Chip lounge in Harbert. Other officers installed were John Wilk, first vice president; Mike Pedde, second vice president; Lawrence Sunday, secretary; Ron Gelesko, treasurer. Auxiliary officers are Mrs. Robert Claudon, vice president; Mrs. William Heyn, secretary; Mrs. William Buck, treasurer. Pedde was designated as the outstanding Jaycee of the year. The outstanding committee award went to the air park committee with Heyn as chairman and Bob Claudon and Bill Buck.

FOUR RUN FOR BOARD
—10 Years Ago—
Four persons are seeking the two posts on the New Buffalo school board which expire this summer. Three year terms of Joseph Balsanek and Henry Suida expire.

The four petitions were filed Monday at the high school by incumbent Balsanek and George Ghareeb, Mrs. Nan Repany and Howard VanAartsvelt. Suida does not plan to seek reelection. The school board election will take place July 14.

TURKEY AND VICHY NEAR BREAKING POINT
—25 Years Ago—
Sharp eyes anticipating the early development of big events today were focused on the Balkans and the Middle East — the eyes of the Axis apprehensively — even as British block-busters armadas again pounded the German home front and Allied planes smashed at enemy shipping in the Aegean seas. Berlin worried about the sealing of the Turkish-Syrian frontier which Ankara said was "to protect troop movements," about reports that its Rumanian and Hungarian satellites were angling for peace; about spreading political and civilian unrest in the Balkans.

In the Mediterranean, Allied long-range fighters attacking from bases in the Middle East sank three more enemy ships in the Aegean sea while the mass of Lt. Gen. Carl A. Spaatz' northwest Africa air force took a day off after violent assaults Tuesday on five Axis airdromes in Sicily.

LARGEST SHIPMENTS
—55 Years Ago—
Last evening the largest fruit shipments of the season were made over the transportation lines. While the cargoes were mostly strawberries, some cherries were included. Strawberries were bringing from \$2 to \$2.35 a case and cherries from \$2 to \$2.50.

CRIME'S RISING TIDE
When the dismembered body of Little Suzanne Degman was found in a Chicago sewer many years back it was widely publicized for the time being, but the public soon considered it just one of those things. The same channels of publicity and thought followed the slaughter of several student nurses in a Chicago nurses home, and again, the public has forgotten about another murder of a prominent citizen on Chicago's North Shore, a young woman just blooming into womanhood.

Yes, indeed, all these crimes of violence are, to the general public, just another one of those things, anticipated and expected in a democracy, yet why?

Now the shoe begins to pinch after the murder of President John F. Kennedy, the slaughter of Rev. Martin Luther King and now the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

Whether or not we care to call these events another one of those things is beside the point. Our apathy during the past four decades places us in a spot predicted nearly one half century ago when Wade Ellis, noted authority, now deceased, said, "The United States is the most lawless and crime ridden nation on the face of the globe. This is not a crime wave, but a rising tide."

Mr. Johnson has now called in session a group of individuals to study this situation and come up with an answer. He is nearly 50 years too late, for way back in the early '20s the late Judge Marcus Kavanagh had all the answers and made the public in a book entitled "The Criminal And His Allies" in which he openly exposed and condemned our legislative, executive and judicial branches for permitting the conditions at that time to exist. He minced no words, but portrayed the courts as they were, calling a spade a spade.

He condemned parole, the long, senseless indeterminate sentence, the prison systems, and especially the technicalities of the law which had made of it still making our system of law observance, enforcement and punishment a dismal failure. He missed no important point in his tirade against the indifference of the American politician, judge, attorney, and he even took a slap at the crooked cops and higher officials for the part they play in the ramifications of criminal justice.

This new commission of Mr. Johnson need go no farther than the shelves in the Congressional Library, or any one of the thousands and one greater libraries in America to procure the book that illustrates today's problem, the need for a re-vamping of the entire judicial system.

One cannot cast aspersions on one man, one group, one official body in this instance.

It is the entire citizenry that is responsible. We flout the laws. We buy our way out of legal difficulties. We teach lawlessness to our children by the purchase of toy guns and other means of killing or playing at killing. We show every kind and type of slaughter on TV. The radio screams murder. Magazines by the millions cover every kind and type of crime on the books. Filthy literature becomes best sellers and the juvenile delinquent is a product of parental indifference to the problems of home.

Lawlessness and crime is a very profitable business. It has become a profession, learned early in childhood.

Consider this, Mr. President. Perhaps you had better read the book also. You want the answer. You can have it if you take some time out with the new Commission and find the answers to your why's and wherefore's.

Even the grave can solve this problem, and if it does you can add the name of Hon. Marcus E. Kavanagh, late judge, Superior Court of Chicago to the requiem of just another one of those things.

WILLIAM A. RODGERS, Bridgman

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK!
1. Who were the Argonauts?
2. What was an armet?
3. Who was the Old Man of the Mountains?
4. Who were Techo Brahe and Johann Kepler?
5. Where is the desert of Atacama?

BORN TODAY
It really should be billed as "The Dino Crocetti Show" instead of the title it goes under: "The Dean Martin Show." No matter how it's spelled, it spells success in a large way.

It wasn't always that way. Back in 1957, one prominent movie critic said of Dean Martin: "a fellow with little humor and a modicum of charm."

This fellow of "little humor" and charm was born Dino Crocetti in Steubenville, Ohio, in 1917. Although Steubenville was then known as Little Chicago, the Crocettis were a close-knit family.

Martin quit school in the tenth grade "because I thought I was smarter than the teacher." He worked as a shoe-shine boy, gas station attendant, steel mill hand, cigar store clerk, bootleg liquor delivery man and croupier. At night, he sang at Walker's Cafe in Steubenville.

Bandleader Sammy Watkins hired him for \$50 a week in Cleveland and he adopted the name Dean Martin.

In the summer of 1946, Martin teamed up with comedian Jerry Lewis and then moved into the big time, first at the Copa, then with Paramount Pictures. The pair made 16 movies for Paramount over an eight-year period.

After their first six years together, their relationship began to cool, finally freezing solid in 1956.

Martin went down and Lewis went up until Michael Whiteacre came along. Whiteacre was the name of the character in the movie "The Young Lions." Martin gained respect as a serious actor for that role. His popularity soared through a succession of movie roles and his show is one of the most popular in television today.

Others born today include author John Hersey, jockey Ted Atkinson, composer Igor Stravinsky and Ralph Bellamy.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?
1. In Greek legend, a group of heroes who accompanied Jason in the ship Argo to fetch the golden fleece.
2. It was a closed helmet, provided with moveable visor, which could be locked or opened.
3. The shaykh-al-jabal, ruler of the sect of the Hashishin in the 11th century.
4. Early astronomers.
5. In parts of Argentina, Bolivia and Chile.

DR. COLEMAN

.. And Speaking Of Your Health

Can iron be used for the cure of all kinds of anemia?

Anemias are classified by their varieties, their causes and their severity. Anemia can be produced by excessive blood loss from hemorrhage. It can also be the result of some strange blood disease that destroys the red blood cells.

There are also anemias which are due to inadequate formation of the red blood cells, or to some defect in the way they are produced in the marrow of bone.

Normally, in men, there are about five million red blood cells in every cubic millimeter. The count is slightly lower in females. There is also a variation of the number of red blood cells at birth, during infancy, and adolescence. Red blood cells exhaust their function and, when they die off, must be replaced by other red blood cells released from the marrow of the long bones. The normal life span of a red blood cell is about one hundred days and then the blood forming mechanisms of the body replace it. The amount of hemoglobin within red blood cells and the number of red blood cells help determine the exact kind of anemia. Often there are peculiar changes in the size or shape of the red blood cells, which indicate one of the many types of anemia. For each there is a special form of treatment.

Iron is used by mouth, or by injection, for a specific type of anemia. In fact, it is called iron deficiency anemia. Sometimes it is called nutritional anemia and is found during infancy, childhood and in pregnancy. When the iron is replaced and the underlying cause for the anemia is treated, the condition improves in a remarkably short period of time.

Many people assume they are anemic because of excessive fatigue, restlessness, and lack of enthusiasm for daily activity. Many, in fact, go through life accusing themselves of having a condition that really does not exist.

There is one way, and one way only, to know if one has anemia and that is by having a complete blood study, including the counting of the red blood cells and the hemoglobin. Most physicians do their own routine blood examination and are remarkably adept at determining the kind of anemia and treatment necessary to control it. When more complicated studies are necessary, patients are referred to a hematologist, a specialist in the study of the blood.

The treatment and control of iron deficiency anemia and the rapid return to health is most gratifying.

Pernicious anemia is a very complicated deficiency of vitamin B. When once this was discovered, many people who were, and might have been, chronic invalids for the rest of their lives, were able to return to normal health by the control of this unusual-type of anemia with vitamin B12.

What is meant by kissing disease?

This is a rather pleasant name for a not so pleasant condition, infectious mononucleosis. It is caused by a virus which has not yet been positively identified. There is one, and only one, definite way to prove a positive diagnosis and that is by a blood study called the heterophile test.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH — Stimulate blood circulation by a short walk after driving even a few hours.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

West dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 8 2
♥ A J 10 8 7 4 3
♦ 9 7 4
♣

WEST
♠ Q J 10 9 5 4 3
♥ K 6 2
♦ 8 6 3
♣

EAST
♠ K Q 10 8 6 4
♥ 6
♦ Q 9 5
♣ A K 5

SOUTH
♠ A J 9 7 5 3 2
♥ K 7
♦ Q J 10 2
♣

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass 1 ♠ 1 ♠
Pass 2 ♠ 2 ♠
3 ♠

Opening lead—four of clubs.

This deal occurred in the semifinal round of the Spingold team of four championship played in Montreal last year.

Nothing extraordinary happened at the first table, where West became declarer at three hearts on the bidding shown and went down two for a loss of 200 points.

But at the second table the bidding took a wild turn when South became declarer at four spades doubled on the following sequence:

West North East South
2 ♠ 3 ♠ Dble 4 ♠
Pass Pass Dble

The two heart bid by West was the weak type favored by many experts. East (Alvin Roth, playing with Bill Roth) had a difficult decision to make over three diamonds. He chose to double, though he realized that this action was at least mildly dangerous.

To his amazement, South took the double out by jumping to four spades. After two passes Roth asked for a review of the bidding, and upon being assured that South had really bid four spades, he doubled.

West led the three of clubs. Roth won with the king and returned his singleton heart, won by declarer with the king.

When South now led the ace of trumps and West showed out, it was South's turn to be amazed. Declarer shifted to the ten of clubs, taken by East with the ace, and won the club return with the queen.

A heart to the ace permitted East to ruff, and Roth later scored four trump tricks with the K-Q-10-8, so the outcome was that South went down four for a loss of 700 points.

Roth and Roth thus gained 900 points on the deal, which helped them considerably to win the match, and, together with teammates Norman Kay and Edgar Kaplan, they went on to win the championship.

BENNET CERF

Try And Stop Me

After a week of fervent revivalist meetings the skillful preacher whipped his congregation into a frenzy of enthusiasm with his sermon on "The Search for the Perfect Man." "Does any man in this audience," he asked in one of his less emotional moments, "believe for a minute that there is a truly perfect man in this community?" A meek little fellow startled everybody by leaping to his feet. "Do you mean to tell us," challenged the preacher, "that you are a perfect man?" "Not me," the meek one hastened to explain, "I'm standing up for my wife's first husband."

A professional fund raiser complained to Arthur Godfrey that he had ignored several letters inviting him to join this and that honorary committee. "All your mail," explained Godfrey, "was on stationery emblazoned 'From the desk of So-and-So' — and I never correspond with furniture."

Out at South Bend, a sister of Saint Mary's sought a rating on a new Swedish movie and called what she thought was the Legion of Decency number. "I'm afraid you've made a mistake dialing," she was told politely, "but you've got the next best thing. This is the Pure Oil Company."

Factographs

Sir Christopher Wren's most famous building is St. Paul's Cathedral in London.

One of the best-preserved and best-known buildings of antiquity is the Pantheon at Rome.

The water content of the human body weighs more than the skeleton.



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POLICE ARREST 19 PERSONS OVER WEEKEND

Ex-Foundry Hand Now 'Maitre De'

Former BH Man
Now Chief Of
Ritzy Dining Room

By JIM SHANAHAN
BH City Editor

The "maitre de" of the dining room in one of the world's most elegant hotels is a former foundry hand in the Twin Cities. Clifford Crutcher commands the 1,000-seat dining room in the Grand hotel, Mackinac island. In the mid-1940's, he was employed at Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co. His idea of work was seven days a week, so on Sundays he drove spikes for the old Pere Marquette railroad.

Crutcher's Twin City connections were discovered by Benton Harbor City Commission F. Joseph Flaugh on a visit to the island last year. "It was surprising after he and I got to visiting, for one reason or another, to find that he formerly lived in Benton Harbor and did very menial work," said Flaugh.

A Grand hotel employee for 10 years, Crutcher advanced from waiter, to captain and has been head waiter for five years in charge of 70 employees who serve an average of 1,500 to 1,800 meals a day during a four month period.

Flaugh adds that Crutcher is the most impressive "maitre de" he has seen. Crutcher is about six feet tall and weighs



CULINARY ART: Serving flaming Cherry Jubilee to 1,000 persons would be an almost impossible task for some of the best cooks and waiters—but not for Delmar Gardner (left), executive chef at the Grand hotel, and Clifford Crutcher, head waiter. The occasion was a Michigan Bankers association meeting attended by 1,000 persons.

285 pounds. "He certainly has the respect and complete control of the employees in that huge and beautiful dining room of the Grand hotel," said Flaugh.

Crutcher left his native Lexington, Ky., to come to Benton

Harbor in response to a help wanted advertisement. He roomed here in a house on Miller street.

He returned to Lexington to work at the Phoenix hotel as a bus boy and waiter, before going to the world's largest

summer hotel on Mackinac island. Crutcher still spends winters in Lexington.

Flaugh notes that another season is starting for the Grand hotel and "if you get there, tell the head waiter you are from Benton Harbor."

Man Loses Eye After Being Hit

Charges Range
From Assault
To Drinking

Area police arrested 19 persons on charges ranging from assault to contributing to the delinquency of a minor this past weekend.

Benton Harbor police arrested John L. Miller, 27, of 647 Highland avenue, Benton Harbor, Sunday morning on a charge of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder.

Miller was apprehended in connection with an injury received by James Parnell, 46, of 156 Oden street, Benton Harbor. Miller allegedly struck Parnell with a board. Police said Parnell lost the sight of one eye as result of the blow. He is in fair condition at Mercy hospital.

Benton Harbor police arrested three Indiana youths after a high speed chase near Bridgman early Sunday morning. Deputies Richard Heminger and Dave Tiefenbach said the youth's auto reached speeds of 120 miles an hour on Three Oaks road. The youths were apprehended after running into a corn field at the dead end on Kruger road.

Arrested on charges of fleeing from a police officer, reckless driving, minor in possession of intoxicants, and drunk and disorderly, was the driver, William Hutchison, 18, of 727 Marine street, Elkhart, Ind. Two companions, both minors, were charged with minors in possession of intoxicants and drunk and disorderly. Deputies also said the youths were driving without lights during much of the chase.

YOUTHS ARRESTED

Sunday morning sheriff's deputies arrested six more Indiana youths. Four were charged with minors in possession, and two with furnishing intoxicants to minors.

Arrested for furnishing to minors were Rodger Holdin, 22, and James Miller, 21, both of Elkhart. They were apprehended near Wilderness Beach, Bridgman.

Ernest Lee Clark, 65, general delivery, Benton Harbor, was arrested in Coloma Sunday evening by deputies on a charge of furnishing intoxicants to minors.

Benton Harbor police arrested Larry James Stanfill, 21, on a warrant for non-support Saturday morning.

Gary Alan Leitz, 17, Route 4, Coloma, was arrested for larceny from an auto. Benton Harbor police said two sets of keys were stolen from a car at Transworld Motors.

Arthur Frederick Blodgett, Jr., 17, Route 3, Benton Harbor, was arrested by Benton Harbor police on charges of no operator's license, speeding and unlawfully driving away an automobile.

Sheriff's deputies arrested William L. Shephard, 43, of 615 Ferry street, Niles, for driving under the influence of intoxicants, on M-60 in Niles, Sunday morning. He was also charged with no operator's license, deputies said.

DRIVING CHARGES

Benton Harbor police arrested Albert Junior Finehout, 40, of 718 Riverside avenue, on a



BUSY YOUNG REPUBLICAN: John Liskey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Liskey, 2311 South State street, St. Joseph, an active Teenage Republican, will go to the 1968 National Republican Convention at Miami beach as a courier. He is shown checking over the correspondence that disclosed his selection. (Staff photo)

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Three youths were arrested on charges of contributing to the delinquency of minors.

St. Joseph police arrested Dennis Frank Sweet, 18, of Cassopolis, and Patrick Williams, 18, of Paw Paw. They were allegedly driving with two

14-year-old girls at 5 a.m. Sunday. The two girls were petitioned to juvenile court, and released to their parents.

Benton Harbor police arrested John Henry Mills, 17, of 407 1/2 North Fair avenue, Sunday morning on the same charge. He was allegedly walking with two 16-year-olds on Territorial road at 3 p.m.

SJ Youth To Attend Convention

Selected As
Courier For
GOP Delegation

By DICK DERRICK
SJ City Editor

John Liskey is not old enough to vote but he will be going to the Republican National convention in Miami Beach, Fla. in August just the same.

In fact he started making preparations for the trip about four years ago.

Liskey, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Liskey of 2311 South State street. He is a June graduate of St. Joseph high school where he was president of the senior class.

He was notified recently of his selection as a "Special Michigan Courier" by Elly Peterson, chairman of the Republican party in Michigan. As an official courier he will fly to Miami with the Michigan delegation, stay at the official headquarters, the Hotel Carillon in Miami Beach, and attend many of the convention sessions.

About the only thing he won't do is vote.

LONG-TIME WORKER

Interested in politics, John worked in Republican headquarters back in the 1964 campaign, running errands, making phone calls and helping out where he could.

He has been active in the Berrien County Teenage Republicans. Now he is chairman of a project to distribute 20,000 telephone stickers reminding voters of deadline to register, the primary election and other important dates leading up to the 1968 presidential election.

Last December John wrote to Rep. Edward Hutchinson for information on the possibility of his attending the convention. Hutchinson directed John to get in touch with John B. Martin of Grand Rapids, national committeeman. His application was weighed. Only about 10 such couriers are permitted from each state.

John will pay his own expenses to the convention.

Diplomas Go To 111 At Coloma

Reinhardt Wins
Senior Award

COLOMA — Coloma High School's 74th annual commencement exercise was held Sunday afternoon with 111 seniors receiving diplomas at McDaniels Field.

High school principal, Victor Wier, presented the traditional Green and Gold award to Gary Reinhardt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reinhardt, Jr. Wier said the award is a traditional symbol awarded to that student "who possesses those intangible qualities of personality which makes him an outstanding school citizen." The award was established in 1931.

Reinhardt has participated in sports, music groups, student council, National Honor Society, and several other school clubs. He was president of the sophomore, junior and senior class. He will attend Michigan State university.

During the graduation diplomas were presented by Marshall Badt, vice president of the board of education. Connie Hartman of the Class of 1968, gave the address, "Impossible Dream." Class president Reinhardt gave the response and memorials. Linda Gard, class secretary, lead the invocation and benediction. Music was provided by the high school band and chorus.



GARY REINHARDT

Local Music Union Officials Attend Parley

Joseph Ferris and Wilford Harmon are representing Twin City Federation of Musicians Local 232 at the 71st annual convention of the American Federation of Musicians at Shreveport, La.

The convention opened today and continues through Thursday. Attending are some 1,200 delegates representing 700 locals and more than 275,000 professional musicians in the U.S. and Canada.

Ferris is president of the Twin City local and Harmon is secretary.

Chief items of business are reports by national union officers, enactment of union legislation and election of officers.

Michigan United Fund Taps Five

Berrien Residents
Elected At Parley

Three residents of the twin cities area and one from Niles have been elected to the executive committee of Michigan United Fund.

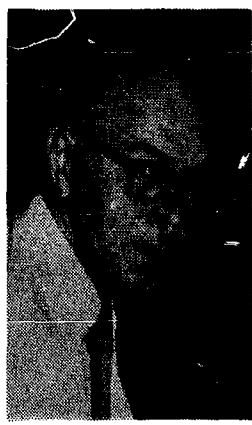
The action took place recently in East Lansing as more than 600 United Fund volunteers from across the state attended the 21st annual meeting of Michigan United Fund.

Twin Cities representatives of the MUF executive committee are James P. Owen, president of Gascoigne and Owen; John H. Platts, president of Whirlpool Corp.; and David F. Upton, president of Benton Harbor Abstract and Title Co. Representing Niles is Herbert H. Benington, retired executive vice-president of Simplicity Pattern Co.

Two other Twin Cities business executives were elected as new members of the board of directors of Michigan United Fund. They are Herbert D. Mendel, president of Michigan Standard Alloys, Inc.; and Willard O. McKnight, president of Laboratory Equipment Co. and Leco Plating Co.

Richard A. Schroeter, downtown store manager of the J.L. Hudson Co. in Detroit, was elected president of MUF, succeeding Dr. Harry A. Towsley, department of postgraduate medicine, University of Michigan. Dr. Towsley was elected chairman of the board of directors.

The 36 state and national services of Michigan United Fund are included in nearly 160 local United Funds in Michigan, including the Twin Cities United Community Fund. Among the MUF agencies are such services



R. C. (DON) WYNKOOP

as USO, Michigan Heart Association, United Cerebral Palsy, Arthritis Foundation and Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Michigan United Fund has set a state-wide goal for this fall of \$4,821,994, a 6.2 per cent increase over pledges made in the fall of 1967. The Twin Cities UCF is expected to provide some \$50,000 toward the total MUF goal for 1969 operating funds. The local United Fund goal will be set when the Twin Cities Community Chest board of directors meets on June 27.

Area Women Get Degrees

Two area women are among the class of some 600 graduate and undergraduate students who recently received degrees at Valparaiso university, Ind.

Miss Sharon A. Backus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Backus, route 1, Baroda, received the bachelor of arts degree with a major in social work.

Mrs. Patricia Elaine Plaehn Sowell, daughter of Mrs. Emily M. Plaehn, route 3, Box 235, South Haven, received the bachelor of science degree with a major in mathematics.

Well-Known SJ Store Owner Dies

R. C. Wynkoop
Dead At 71

Ronald C. (Don) Wynkoop, operator of Wynkoop's shoe store in St. Joseph for the past 50 years, died at 4:30 a.m. today in Berrien General hospital, Berrien Center. He was 71.

Mr. Wynkoop resided at 1698 Nickerson avenue in Fairplain. He was born in Bellvue, Iowa, on May 9, 1897, and moved here with his parents as a youngster.

An unusually quiet man, he nevertheless became a well-known figure in St. Joseph through his long years of retailing. His principal civic activities involved promotion of downtown St. Joseph as a business center.

In 1936, he was married to the former Gertrude Nafziter, who survives.

Besides his widow, survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Ed (Joan) Potrak of LaVerne, Calif., and Mrs. O. E. (Betty) Dial of Cambridge, Mass.; three grandchildren; and a brother, Dr. William Wynkoop of Alton, Ill. Another brother, Rex V. Wynkoop, preceded him in death in 1960. Rex Wynkoop was prominently known for decades as editor of the St. Joseph Herald-Press.

R. C. Wynkoop was a member of the First Congregational church of Benton Harbor and the St. Joseph Kiwanis club.

Funeral services are scheduled to be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Kerlikowske and Starks funeral home. The Rev. W. Brewster Wilcox, assistant pastor of the First Congregational church of Benton Harbor, will officiate.

Burial will be in Crystal Springs cemetery.

BOAT TROUBLE

SJ Firemen, Policemen Kept On Run

St. Joseph firemen and police responded to two calls at Lions beach over the weekend but what looked like emergencies were quickly solved.

Firemen stood by with a resuscitator unit at 2:20 p.m. Saturday when a boat was reported sinking offshore.

The 16 foot boat, owned by Claude Jochmans, of 810 Michigan avenue, St. Joseph, was noticed about 100 yards west of the park concession stand by Patrolman Dave Agay. Agay said that while watching the boat, he noticed a part fall off. Then it began to sink, Agay said.

St. Joseph police radioed the twin cities police boat, operated by Benton Harbor Patrolman James Whitaker, who towed the limping airboat to shore.

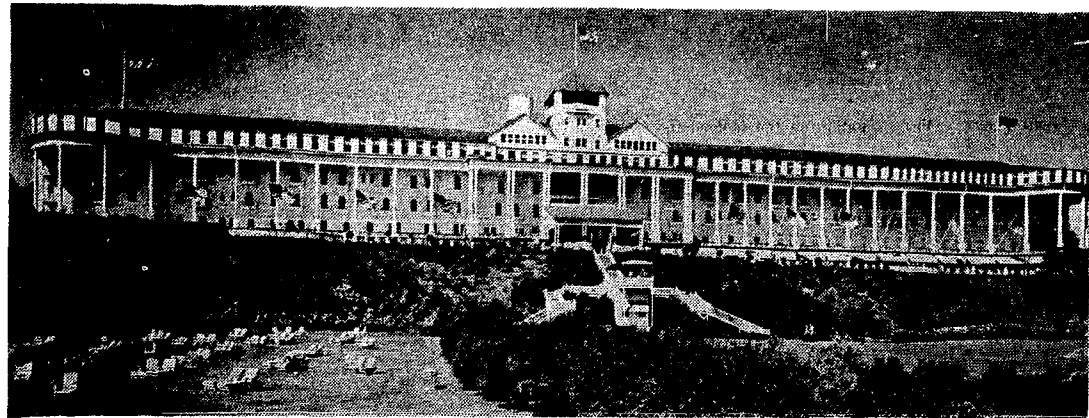
At 3:04 p.m. Sunday a runabout, owner unknown, was beached safely after springing a leak.

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Service Officer Of AMVETS To Meet With Vets

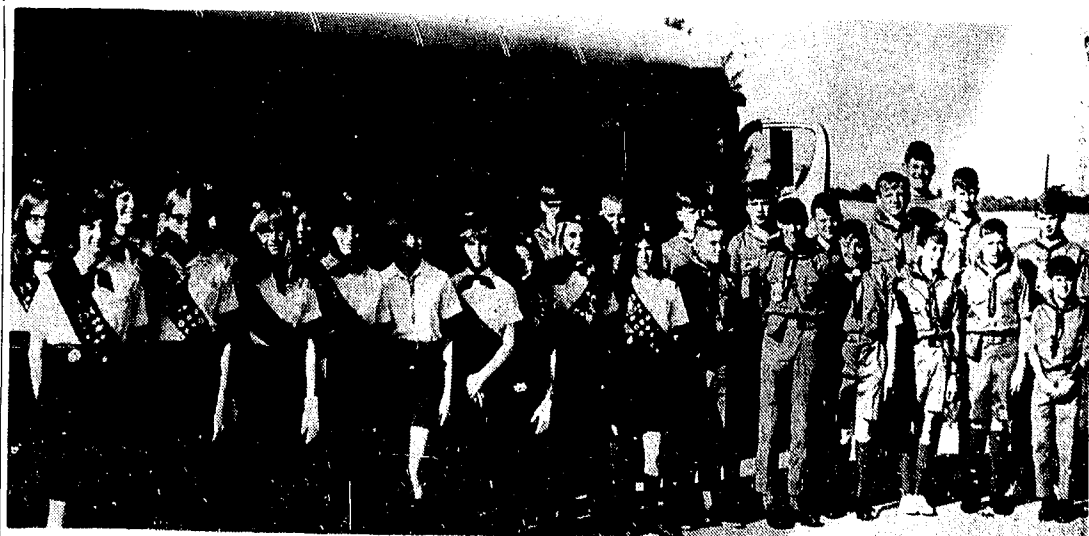
Orland J. Brown, service officer for AMVETS, will be at the St. Joseph office of the Michigan Employment Security commission Tuesday to answer questions on veterans benefits.

The service is available from 2 to 5 p.m. to veterans, widows and dependents of veterans. The MESO office is at 800 Port street.



READY FOR THE SEASON: Another summer season means the flags are waving proudly at the Grand hotel, Mackinac island where dinner guests

are served under the direction of Clifford Crutcher, who once lived in Benton Harbor.



DESTINATION CHANGED: Because of unsettled conditions in the nation's capital, a group of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts at Eau Claire who have been saving three years for the trip left early Sunday morning for Kentucky instead of Washington, D.C.

Seventy-five Scouts were accompanied by leaders and six adults. Instead of the sights of the capital city, they will see Mammoth Cave, Lincoln's birthplace and other historic spots in Kentucky on their five-day bus tour. (Staff photo).

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Becker congratulated the fire departments for keeping the fire under control and that fact there were no injuries in the blaze.

Quits After
23 Years
As DeputyOutlines His
Eight-Point
Plan For Berrien

A veteran Berrien county sheriff's officer who was once near-fatally wounded in a gun battle with robbery suspects, today announced his candidacy for sheriff on the Republican ballot.

Victor H. Yost, Jr., 49, culminated 23 years of service in the department in making his bid for the sheriff's post. In order to campaign for the position, he submitted his resignation from the county force at the same time.

Detective Yost was shot four times when he and a special deputy stopped two robbery suspects in Benton Harbor near Mercy hospital early on the morning of Nov. 5, 1962. Although he remained near death for almost a week, Yost underwent two major operations and spent 10 months in recuperation. He returned to duty on Aug. 12, 1963.

FOURTH IN RACE

He becomes the fourth Republican candidate in the race at the Aug. 6 primary. Other announced contenders are Incumbent Sheriff Henry Griese; Edward Merrill, former Benton Harbor police officer, and Forrest Jewell, former sheriff's department sergeant.

In announcing his candidacy, Yost said he feels he is qualified for the office as result of his long police experience, and that he can provide the strong leadership needed for the more effective operation of the important agency.

Yost joined the department in 1945 immediately upon his return from World War II military service in the European and Pacific theaters. Starting as a turnkey during the administration of former Sheriff Erwin Kubath, he served in various capacities in the department, including radio dispatcher, patrolman, shift sergeant and detective. He has completed a number of police training schools during his years of service.

He has lived in Berrien county ever since he moved from Chicago to Berrien Springs as a boy in 1926.

Yost lives on Daniel Boone trail, southeast of Berrien Springs, with his wife, June, and family. The Yost family includes one son and five daughters.

He attends the Seventh-day Adventist church and is a member of the Fraternal Order of Police.

PLANS IMPROVEMENT

Yost outlined eight improvement steps he proposes for the department as follows:

- Bring strong personal leadership back to the office of sheriff.
- Evaluate the high crime areas in the county and increase law enforcement in these areas.
- Re-established a substation in the south part of the county.
- Establish a youth bureau.
- Expand training of department personnel, not only in law

Jim Siebenmark in his stint with the Marines. He was attached to cruiser in the Far East.



VICTOR H. YOST, JR.

enforcement but also their role in the total community and community problems.

- Complete liaison and co-operation with all other law enforcement agencies.

- Establish clear chain of command in department and appoint chief of detectives to coordinate work of that division.

- Realignment of department to make more effective use of experienced men and of equipment.

Shafer Lake
Claims
Boy, 6Fourth Van Buren
Drowning In '68

HARTFORD — A six-year-old boy drowned yesterday about 5:45 p.m. in Shafer Lake, four miles southeast of here.

Van Buren sheriff's deputies identified the victim as Martin James Garrabrant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Garrabrant of Michigan City, Ind.

The drowning was the fourth in Van Buren county this year. Officers said Martin was playing in the yard at the Gerald Rissman residence on the west side of the lake when he was discovered missing. William Westhouser, a guest at the cottage, spotted the boy in the water and brought him to shore.

The Hartford fire department rescue squad was called, but efforts to revive the boy were futile.

Medical Examiner Dr. Carl Boothby pronounced the boy dead at the scene and ordered the body taken to the Calvin funeral home, Hartford, pending arrangements by the family.

Cheerleaders
Selected
At Decatur

DECATUR — The following cheerleaders for the year 1968-69 school year were announced recently by the principal's office.

Varsity — Elaine Phillips captain; Vicki Haas, Ann Chabich, Bonnie Dragan and Pam Johnson.

Junior varsity cheerleaders—Vicki Newell, captain; Nancy Adduci, Teresa Jones, Sandra Druskovich and Cindy Kraak.

Gets His Medal
50 Years After
Earned Purple Heart
In World War IBy BILL RUMBLER
South Berrien Bureau

NEW BUFFALO—Fifty years is late. But not too late. Yesterday, Fred William Siebenmark, 75, of 326 South Whittaker street, received the Purple Heart he earned in the Meuse-Argonne offensive in 1918.

Siebenmark, a private first class in a machinegun crew, was knocked out by poisonous gas during an advance toward enemy lines. He lay unconscious in the field for a day and a half before being discovered by medics picking up the dead after the battle.

In discussing the incident last December, Dale Siebenmark, New Buffalo's police chief, asked his father where was the medal he should have received. His father said he never got a medal, Siebenmark related. Siebenmark said he remembered reading an article in the newspaper about many World War I medals going unclaimed.

LATE ARRIVAL

The younger Siebenmark's inquiry to the Department of the Army was answered by a letter saying the medal was on its way. The Army being what it is in these matters, the medal arrived six months later.

It was pinned on the chest of Fred Siebenmark yesterday by Capt. John A. Lindenfeld of the 428th Military Police Reserve Company.

The elder Siebenmark was in machinegun Company A, 167th Infantry Regiment, 42nd division (the famous Rainbow division), Brig. Gen. Douglas MacArthur commanding.

Siebenmark was wearing a gas mask when the artillery shell containing the "mustard" gas exploded nearby. But the mask failed to protect him and he collapsed.

FIVE ARE KILLED

After being found, he spent two weeks in an evacuation hospital blind and semi-conscious. Siebenmark might consider himself lucky. Five out of the eight men in his squad were killed that day.

Also in the same machine gun company were his brother, William, 74, now of Shafer Lake, Hartford, and the late Ed Eggart of New Buffalo.

Beside Dale, Fred Siebenmark has three other sons and a daughter: Gene, an auxiliary police officer with the New Buffalo department; Jim, a police officer in St. Joseph; Ray, a police officer in South Haven, and Mrs. Carol Fellows of New Buffalo.

Dale himself has three purple hearts plus one bronze star

earned with the army in World War II and the Korean war. In the Korean war he, too, served under MacArthur.

Dale also carried the same pocket Bible his father carried in World War One. He carried it in Italy and the Korean War. In Korea, Dale has the bad luck to be shot in the head behind the ear. Figuring he was going to die, but still conscious, he threw all his gear down a hillside, including the Bible. Medics too, thought he had died and passed him by.

However, after a while he found himself still conscious. Siebenmark related, so he ran, not walked, to a field hospital to get help. He eventually recovered.

The Bible was later found by a chaplain who sent it home to New Buffalo.

The book was also carried by



FINALLY GETS MEDAL: Capt. John A. Lindenfeld (right) pins the Purple Heart medal on the chest of Fred W. Siebenmark, 75, of 326 South Whittaker street, New Buffalo, yesterday. Look-

ing on are his brother William of Hartford, (left) and son Dale (second from right). The two brothers served in the same company during World War I. (Wehner photo)

Young Mother Dies
After Revealing Wish

FENVILLE — A 29-year-old woman from Mexico, Mrs. Meliton (Santia) Almanza, who was reunited with her seven children just 1½ months ago, died Sunday morning with the wish her children could be educated in this country.

Mrs. Almanza lost her battle with cancer at 7:05 a.m. Sunday in Douglas Community hospital while her mother, Mrs. Roman Martinez, sat by her side.

The young visitor from Mexico was reunited on May 1 with her children she had not seen since last September.

Shortly after arriving in Michigan with her husband to see her relatives, she was found to have terminal cancer and doctors refused to allow her to return to the isolated community near Mathauha, Mexico.

HUSBAND CAN'T WORK

When all medicine failed to offer hope, the family pooled their money to bring the three oldest children to their mother's bedside. Her husband, Meliton, was unable to help financially because his visitor's visa forbids employment in this country.

Never complaining, Mrs. Almanza finally admitted that she had pined for her children and would like to have the youngsters with her and her family, who live in Fenville. Knowing that the monetary burden would be too much for her family, she remained silent. After stories of the family's plight were circulated on radio, television and newspapers, contributions were sent from all over the state and nation. Ollman Burt

Burrow, 35, of Olney, Ill., paid transportation for Jessie and Maria Martinez, brother and sister-in-law of Mrs. Almanza to fly to Mexico and return with the four younger children.

A joyous reunion followed, with doctors saying the children were better medicine than anything they could offer.

Several days ago Mrs. Almanza was moved to a semi-private room due to her failing condition. Friday she saw her children for the last time. Saturday afternoon while talk-

ing to her husband and brother Lorenzo Martinez, she made one request. She said she knew she was very sick.

If she should die, she asked, would her husband please try and get a passport and stay here in this country to educate their children, near her family. Martinez explained that in the section of Mexico where they lived, children only received a third grade education. The oldest child, 12-year-old Olimpia has only had two years of schooling. Mrs. Almanza spent eight years at East Dunna elementary school in Texas and felt it was very important for her children to be educated.

VISAS EXPIRING

Meliton Almanza doesn't know how to grant his wife's last request. All eight visas expire on July 30th.

Funeral arrangements have been made by Chappell Funeral home in Fenville.

Services will be held at St. Peter's Catholic church in Douglas as 11 a.m. Thursday. Burial will follow in the Taylor cemetery in Granges township.

Surviving are her husband Meliton, 35; daughters, Olimpia, 12, Yolanda, 6, Maria DelaLuz, 4, and Alejandrina, 11 months; sons, Theodore, 10, Ramiro, 8 and Sergio, 3, living with her parents and brothers, who are Mr. and Mrs. Roman Martinez, and Jessie, Lorenzo, Alejo, Jose and Guillermo Martinez; three sisters, Mrs. Tiburcio (Maria) Hernandez, Mrs. Maximino (Maria) Rodriguez and Miss Ignacia Martinez, all of route 3, Fenville.



MRS. MELITON ALMANZA

Motorcycle
Crash Victim
Still 'Critical'

Salome Rodeques Gallegos, 22, of Knapp's Trailer park, Hartford, remained in critical condition in the South Bend Memorial hospital intensive care unit this morning with a fractured skull and leg.

Gallegos was riding a motorcycle early Friday morning, when the motorcycle crashed into the side of a car backing out of a driveway on River road, Sodus township. Gallegos was taken to Benton Harbor Mercy hospital and later transferred to South Bend.

A passenger on the motorcycle, Veda Sisk, 13, of 1363 Pipestone road, Benton township, was in fair condition this morning at Mercy hospital. She was admitted with a leg fracture and possible head injuries.

Allegan Crash Kills
South Haven Woman

PULLMAN—A South Haven woman died and six other persons were injured as the result of a two-car head-on crash on Pullman road, at the Casco-Lee township line west of here Sunday night, South Haven state police said.

Dead was Evelyn L. Martin, 29, 319 Fruit street, who police said was a passenger in a car driven by Lonnie B. Holmes, 41, route 3, South Haven.

Miss Martin was the eighth person to die in Allegan county traffic accidents this year.

According to police, the Holmes car collided with a vehicle driven by Walter Kolodziej, 47, Chicago, near the intersection of Pullman road

and 60th street around 10:15 p.m.

Holmes was admitted to South Haven Community hospital for treatment of multiple lacerations. Kolodziej was treated at South Haven hospital and then transferred to Memorial hospital in St. Joseph; and Mary Williams, 32, Pullman, a passenger in the Holmes car, was transferred to Bronson hospital in Kalamazoo.

Three other passengers in the Holmes vehicle, Ruth Baker, 59; Eugene Baker, 44; and Eugene Travis, 43, all of South Haven, were treated at South Haven hospital for minor injuries and released.

Miss Martin was admitted to South Haven hospital for treatment of lacerations but her condition was not considered serious, according to police. Hospital personnel said she expired at 3:04 a.m. of possible internal injuries. An autopsy

was to be held today to determine the cause of death.

State troopers said they ticketed Holmes for driving across the center line. They said the Holmes vehicle was traveling west on Pullman road and apparently drove into the east bound lane at a jog in the road and struck the Kolodziej vehicle head-on.

Miss Martin is survived by her mother, Mrs. Vivian Martin, route 1, Grand Junction; two sisters, Mrs. Iola Harding, Chicago, and Mrs. Helen Cox, Middleton, Ohio; and a half brother, Maurice McNeil, Detroit.

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Funeral arrangements at Everson funeral home, South Haven, were incomplete this morning.

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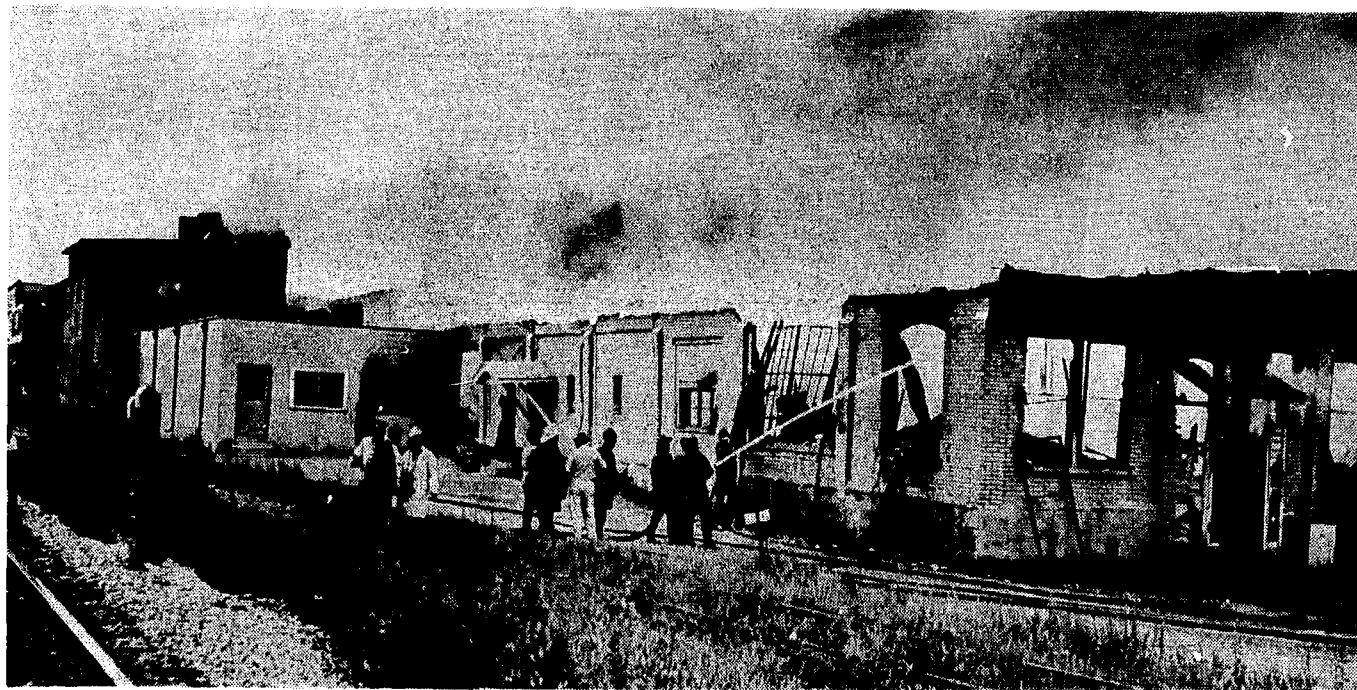
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twice during the night.

Becker congratulated the fire departments for keeping the fire under control and that fact there were no injuries in the blaze.

Quits After
23 Years
As DeputyOutlines His
Eight-Point
Plan For Berrien

A veteran Berrien county sheriff's officer who was once near-fatally wounded in a gun battle with robbery suspects, today announced his candidacy for sheriff on the Republican ballot.

Victor H. Yost, Jr., 49, culminated 23 years of service in the department in making his bid for the sheriff's post. In order to campaign for the position, he submitted his resignation from the county force at the same time.

Detective Yost was shot four times when he and a special deputy stopped two robbery suspects in Benton Harbor near Mercy hospital early on the morning of Nov. 5, 1962. Although he remained near death for almost a week, Yost underwent two major operations and spent 10 months in recuperation. He returned to duty on Aug. 12, 1963.

FOURTH IN RACE

He becomes the fourth Republican candidate in the race at the Aug. 6 primary. Other announced contenders are incumbent Sheriff Henry Griese; Edward Merrill, former Benton Harbor police officer, and Forrest Jewell, former sheriff's department sergeant.

In announcing his candidacy, Yost said he feels he is qualified for the office as result of his long police experience, and that he can provide the strong leadership needed for the more effective operation of the department.

Yost joined the department in 1945 immediately upon his return from World War II military service in the European and Pacific theaters. Starting as a turnkey during the administration of former Sheriff Erwin Kubath, he served in various capacities in the department, including radio dispatcher, patrolman, shift sergeant and detective. He has completed a number of police training schools during his years of service.

He has lived in Berrien county ever since he moved from Chicago to Berrien Springs as a boy in 1926.

Yost lives on Daniel Boone trail, southeast of Berrien Springs, with his wife, June, and family. The Yost family includes one son and five daughters.

He attends the Seventh-day Adventist church and is a member of the Fraternal Order of Police.

PLANS IMPROVEMENT

Yost outlined eight improvement steps he proposes for the department as follows:

- Bring strong personal leadership back to the office of sheriff.
- Evaluate the high crime areas in the county and increase law enforcement in these areas.
- Re-establish a substation in the south part of the county.
- Establish a youth bureau.
- Expand training of department personnel, not only in law

Jim Siebenmark in his stint with the Marines. He was attached to cruiser in the Far East.



VICTOR H. YOST, JR.

enforcement but also their role in the total community and community problems.

• Complete liaison and co-operation with all other law enforcement agencies.

• Establish clear chain of command in department and appoint chief of detectives to coordinate work of that division.

• Realignment of department to make more effective use of experienced men and of equipment.

Shafer Lake
Claims
Boy, 6Fourth Van Buren
Drowning In '68

HARTFORD — A six-year-old boy drowned yesterday about 5:45 p.m. in Shafer Lake, four miles southeast of here.

Van Buren sheriff's deputies identified the victim as Martin James Garabrant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Garabrant of Michigan City, Ind.

The drowning was the fourth in Van Buren county this year. Officers said Martin was playing in the yard at the Gerald Rissman residence on the west side of the lake when he was discovered missing. William Westhouser, a guest at the cottage, spotted the boy in the water and brought him to shore.

The Hartford fire department rescue squad was called, but efforts to revive the boy were futile.

Medical Examiner Dr. Carl Boothby pronounced the boy dead at the scene and ordered the body taken to the Calvin funeral home, Hartford, pending arrangements by the family.

Cheerleaders
Selected
At Decatur

DECATUR — The following cheerleaders for the year 1968-69 school year were announced recently by the principal's office.

Varsity — Elaine Phillips captain; Vicki Haas, Ann Chabich, Bonnie Dragan and Pam Johnson.

Junior varsity cheerleaders—Vicki Newell, captain; Nancy Adduci, Teresa Jones, Sandra Druskovich and Cindy Kraak.

Gets His Medal
50 Years After
Earned Purple Heart
In World War I

By BILL RUMBLER
South Berrien Bureau

NEW BUFFALO—Fifty years is late. But not too late. Yesterday, Fred William Siebenmark, 75, of 326 South Whittaker street, received the Purple Heart he earned in the Meuse-Argonne offensive in 1918.

Siebenmark, a private first class in a machinegun crew, was knocked out by poison gas during an advance toward enemy lines. He lay unconscious in the field for a day and a half before being discovered by medics picking up the dead after the battle.

In discussing the incident last December, Dale Siebenmark, New Buffalo's police chief, asked his father where was the medal he should have received. His father said he never got a medal, Siebenmark related. Siebenmark said he remembered reading an article in the newspaper about many World War I medals going unclaimed.

LATE ARRIVAL

The younger Siebenmark's inquiry to the Department of the Army was answered by a letter saying the medal was on its way. The Army being what it is in these matters, the medal arrived six months later.

It was pinned on the chest of Fred Siebenmark yesterday by Capt. John A. Lindenfeld of the 428th Military Police Reserve Company.

The elder Siebenmark was in machinegun Company A, 167th Infantry Regiment, 42nd division (the famous Rainbow division), Brig. Gen. Douglas MacArthur commanding.

Siebenmark was wearing a gas mask when the artillery shell containing the "mustard" gas exploded nearby. But the mask failed to protect him and he collapsed.

FIVE ARE KILLED

After being found, he spent two weeks in an evacuation hospital blind and semi-conscious. Siebenmark might consider himself lucky. Five out of the eight men in his squad were killed that day.

Also in the same machine gun company were his brother, William, 74, now of Shafer Lake, Hartford, and the late Ed Eggart of New Buffalo.

Beside Dale, Fred Siebenmark has three other sons and a daughter: Gene, an auxiliary police officer with the New Buffalo department; Jim, a police officer in St. Joseph; Ray, a police officer in South Haven, and Mrs. Carol Fellows of New Buffalo.

Dale himself has three purple hearts plus one bronze star

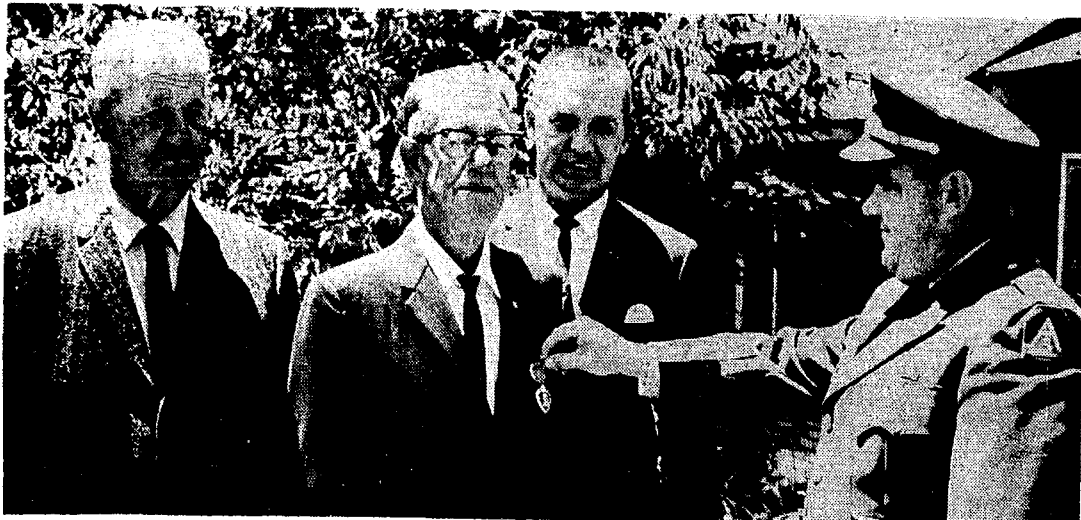
earned with the army in World War II and the Korean war. In the Korean war he, too, served under MacArthur.

Dale also carried the same pocket Bible his father carried in World War One. He carried it in Italy and the Korean War. In Korea, Dale has the bad luck to be shot in the head behind the ear. Figuring he was going to die, but still conscious, he threw all his gear down a hillside including the Bible. Medics too, thought he had died and passed him by.

However, after a while he found himself still conscious. Siebenmark related, so he ran, not walked, to a field hospital to get help. He eventually recovered.

The Bible was later found by a chaplain who sent it home to New Buffalo.

The book was also carried by



FINALLY GETS MEDAL: Capt. John A. Lindenfeld (right) pins the Purple Heart medal on the chest of Fred W. Siebenmark, 75, of 326 South Whittaker street, New Buffalo, yesterday. Looking on are his brother William of Hartford, (left) and son Dale (second from right). The two brothers served in the same company during World War I. (Wehner photo)

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Young Mother Dies
After Revealing Wish

FENNVILLE — A 29-year-old woman from Mexico, Mrs. Meliton (Santiago) Almanza, who was reunited with her seven children just 1½ months ago, died Sunday morning with the wish her children could be educated in this country.

Mrs. Almanza lost her battle with cancer at 7:05 a.m. Sunday in Douglas Community hospital while her mother, Mrs. Roman Martinez, sat by her side.

The young visitor from Mexico was reunited on May 1 with her children she had not seen since last September.

Shortly after arriving in Michigan with her husband to see her relatives, she was found to have terminal cancer and doctors refused to allow her to return to the isolated community near Matichuala, Mexico.

HUSBAND CAN'T WORK
When all medicine failed to offer hope, the family pooled their money to bring the three oldest children to their mother's bedside. Her husband, Meliton, was unable to help financially because his visitor's visa forbids employment in this country.

Burrow, 35, of Olney, Ill., paid transportation for Jessie and Maria Martinez, brother and sister-in-law of Mrs. Almanza to fly to Mexico and return with the four younger children.

A joyous reunion followed, with doctors saying the children were better medicine than anything they could offer.

Several days ago Mrs. Almanza was moved to a semi-private room due to her failing condition. Friday she saw her children for the last time. Saturday afternoon while talking to her husband and brother Lorenzo Martinez, she made one request. She said she knew she was very sick.

If she should die, she asked, would her husband please try and get a passport and stay here in this country to educate their children, near her family.

Martinez explained that in the section of Mexico where they lived, children only received a third grade education. The oldest child, 12-year-old Olimpia has only had two years of schooling. Mrs. Almanza spent eight years at East Dunna elementary school in Texas and felt it was very important for her children to be educated.

VISAS EXPIRING
Meliton Almanza doesn't know how to grant his wife's last request. All eight visas expire on July 30th.

Funeral arrangements have been made by Chappell Funeral home in Fennville.

Services will be held at St. Peter's Catholic church in Douglas as 11 a.m. Thursday. Burial will follow in the Taylor cemetery in Granges township.

Surviving are her husband Meliton, 35; daughters, Olimpia, 12, Yolanda, 6, Maria DeLaLuz, 4, and Alejandrina, 11, months; sons, Theodore, 10, Ramiro, 8 and Sergio 3, living with her parents and brothers, who are Mr. and Mrs. Roman Martinez, and Jessie, Lorenzo, Alcejo, Jose and Guillermo Martinez; three sisters, Mrs. Tiburcio (Maria) Hernandez, Mrs. Maximino (Maria) Rodriguez and Miss Ignacia Martinez, all of route 3, Fennville.



MRS. MELITON ALMANZA

Motorcycle
Crash Victim
Still 'Critical'

Salome Rodegues Gallegos, 22, of Knapp's Trailer park, Hartford, remained in critical condition in the South Bend Memorial hospital intensive care unit this morning with a fractured skull and leg.

Gallegos was riding a motorcycle early Friday morning, when the motorcycle crashed into the side of a car backing out of a driveway on River road, Sodus township. Gallegos was taken to Benton Harbor Mercy hospital and later transferred to South Bend.

A passenger on the motorcycle, Veda Sisk, 13, of 1363 Pipestone road, Benton township, was in fair condition this morning at Mercy hospital. She was admitted with a leg fracture and possible head injuries.

Allegan Crash Kills
South Haven Woman

PULLMAN—A South Haven woman died and six other persons were injured as the result of a two-car head-on crash on Pullman road, at the Casco-Lee township line west of here Sunday night, South Haven state police said.

Dead was Evelyn L. Martin, 29, 319 Fruit street, who police said was a passenger in a car driven by Lonnie B. Holmes, 41, Holmes, 41, route 3, South Haven. Miss Martin was the eighth person to die in Allegan county traffic accidents this year.

According to police, the Holmes car collided with a vehicle driven by Walter Kolodziej, 47, Chicago, near the intersection of Pullman road

and 60th street around 10:15 p.m.

Holmes was admitted to South Haven Community hospital for treatment of multiple lacerations. Kolodziej was treated at South Haven hospital and then transferred to Memorial hospital in St. Joseph; and Mary Williams, 32, Pullman, a passenger in the Holmes car, was transferred to Bronson hospital in Kalamazoo.

Three other passengers in the Holmes vehicle, Ruth Baker, 59; Eugene Baker, 44; and Eugene Travis, 43, all of South Haven, were treated at South Haven hospital for minor injuries and released.

Miss Martin was admitted to South Haven hospital for treatment of lacerations but her condition was not considered serious, according to police. Hospital personnel said she expired at 3:04 a.m. of possible internal injuries. An autopsy

was to be held today to determine the cause of death.

State troopers said they ticketed Holmes for driving across the center line. They said the Holmes vehicle was traveling west on Pullman road and apparently drove into the east bound lane at a jog in the road and struck the Kolodziej vehicle head-on.

Miss Martin is survived by her mother, Mrs. Vivian Martin, route 1, Grand Junction; two sisters, Mrs. Iola Harding, Chicago, and Mrs. Helen Cox, Middleton, Ohio; and a half brother, Maurice McNeil, Detroit.

She was born in Chicago on April 3, 1939 and lived in the South Haven area for the past three years. She was an employee at South Haven Coil.

Funeral arrangements at Everson funeral home, South Haven, were incomplete this morning.

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